

Supervised Business Experience



What is SBE?

Supervised Business Experience is an occupational program that offers a combination of classroom instruction and supervised on-the-job training.

SBE Program Objectives for Students

- Complete sufficient training and experience to secure full-time employment in a business occupation upon graduation from high school or to continue education toward career objective
- Develop good attendance and punctuality habits necessary for successful employment
- Develop the ability to deal effectively with other workers and to accept supervision
- Develop personal traits and attitudes necessary for success in a career in business

Student Requirements

- Reached age 16 and a junior or senior in high school/career center
- Currently enrolled in related classroom instruction (such as Business Technology, Accounting, Network Administration)
- Completed at least one business course
- Has satisfactory school attendance and disciplinary records
- Achieved minimum 2.0 grade average (out of 4.0)
- Have consent of parent/guardian
- Complete 10 hours per week for ½ credit and 20 hours per week for 1 credit
- (School may have additional specific requirements)

Teacher/Coordinator Qualifications

- Meet at least temporary business certification requirements. (see website below for specific requirements)
- Complete a course in coordination of cooperative education. The course is offered at several universities (see listing at website below) for "Approved Courses for Career Education Certification."
- For more specific information go to <http://dese.mo.gov/divcareered/certifications.htm>

District Requirements for Reimbursement

- There must be a sufficient number of worksites to maintain the SBE program
- Teacher/coordinator must provide both classroom instruction and coordination of students on the job
- Provide one hour of release time for instructor for each 12-15 students in the program for coordination of on-the-job training

How Can You Get Approval for SBE?

- Must have an approved business program (SBE is available as a component of the regular vocational business classroom offering)
- Request must be submitted by MAY 1 for approval for the following school year

Resources for SBE

- Supervised Business policies: http://dese.mo.gov/divcareered/biz_supervised_business_experience.htm
- Graduation Handbook policy (Appendix G): http://dese.mo.gov/divimprove/sia/Graduation_Handbook_2010.pdf

Additional Information about SBE

- For complete information, refer to the SBE Handbook at http://www.dese.mo.gov/divcareered/documents/BE_SBE_Handbook.pdf